# **Historical and Cultural Affairs**

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## **News**

# State Historic Preservation Office announces Delaware's newest listings in the National Register of Historic Places

Additions include the Downtown Harrington Historic District, the Richard Allen School and the Taylor's Bridge School. Read more ...



Commercial buildings along Commerce Street in Harrington

#### Division to sponsor 15 special events during August 2019

Sherlock Holmes comes to Delaware, a screening of "How to Train Your Dragon—The Hidden World" and the history of women's suffrage in the First State to be featured.

Read more ...

#### Dan Citron to join division as historic sites program manager

Position responsible for coordinating programming and visitor engagement at the State of Delaware's museums and historic properties.

Read more ...

#### Zwaanendael Museum welcomes two new employees

Kaitlyn Dykes and Anthony Batterton are helping the museum bring to life the Lewes-area's maritime, military and social history.

Read more ...

#### Division mourns the loss of former John Dickinson Plantation site interpreter Bill Pool

Employee known for conducting highly entertaining site tours and for excelling at all forms of period demonstrations. Read more ...

#### Division now offering tours of the hull of the DeBraak, a shipwrecked 18th-century British warship

Tours taking place through Sept. 26, 2019.

Read more ...

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# **Help Save Delaware History**

#### Historic preservation symposium addresses timely issues

Event explored disaster preparedness and issues regarding elevating historic properties in flood-prone areas, as well as strategies for writing successful nominations to the National Register of Historic Places.

Read more ...

#### National Trust for Historic Preservation names new president

Organization plays a leading role in helping to save America's historic places. Read more ...

#### It's official: Richard Allen School registered among nation's historic places

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—July 18, 2019

Site was one of 80 schools built for African American children in Delaware by philanthropist Pierre S. du Pont. Read more ...

#### Demolitions make way for student housing at historic center of Newark's black community

Delaware Public Media, Dover—July 12, 2019

Nine razed houses likely dated back to the mid- to late-19th century.

Read more ...

"Partners in Preservation: Planning for the Future—Delaware's Historic Preservation Plan, 2018–2022" Document outlines six broad goals for preserving Delaware's heritage for the future.

Read more ...

## **Media Roundup**

The following Delaware history-related articles have recently appeared in the media:

#### Dover celebrates the Fourth of July

Delaware State News, July 5, 2019

Article notes reading of the Declaration of Independence at The Old State House.

#### "Lost Off Lewes: The British Warship DeBraak" Tours at the Zwaanendael Museum

WBOC TV, Salisbury, Md.—June 28, 2019

Television interview with division Curator of Archaeology Paul Nasca.

### **Events**

Thursday, Aug. 1

160th Anniversary – Fenwick Island Lighthouse

Campfire Program — John Dickinson Plantation

Thursdays, Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; and Saturday, Aug. 31

Lost Off Lewes: The British Warship DeBraak - Zwaanendael Museum

Fridays, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; Saturdays, Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31; and Wednesdays, Aug. 7, 14, 21 and 28 East End Lighthouse Tour – Delaware Breakwater-East End Lighthouse

Fridays, Aug. 2 and 30; Saturdays, Aug. 3 and 31; Sundays Aug. 4 and Sept. 1; and Thursday, Aug. 29 Sail Aboard the Meerwald – Lewes-area waterways

Saturday, Aug. 3

From Tinfoil to the 78 – Johnson Victrola Museum

The Doctor Is In – The Old State House

Movie Night - Buena Vista

Sunday, Aug. 4

Many Declarations of Independence – New Castle Court House Museum

Wednesday, Aug. 7

National Lighthouse Day - Fenwick Island Lighthouse

Hale-Byrnes Open House – Hale-Byrnes House

Friday, Aug. 16

Bristol County Fife and Drums - Pencader Heritage Museum

Saturday, Aug. 17

The Scorched Pamphlet: Sherlock Holmes Returns to Delaware - The Old State House

Running of the Mill - Abbott's Mill Nature Center

Cornwallis's Sunken Fleet - Hale-Byrnes House

Sunday, Aug. 18

Open House - Prince George's Chapel

Voters at Last: Battling for the Ballot - New Castle Court House Museum

Battle of the Chesapeake - Hale-Byrnes House

Wednesday, Aug. 28

The Greatest Captain in the World – Zwaanendael Museum

Friday, Aug. 30

Lewes Maritime History Sail – Lewes-area waterways

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, go here.

## **Exhibits and Displays**

#### Ongoing

Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport – Zwaanendael Museum

<u>Drawing America to Victory</u> – Online

Five Stories – John Dickinson Plantation

Letters From a Farmer in Pennsylvania – Online

New Castle: Three Forts, One Community - New Castle Court House Museum

The Old State House: A True Restoration 1976-2016 – The Old State House

The Path to Freedom: A History of the Underground Railroad in Delaware - New Castle Court House Museum

Sculpture by Charles Parks - New Castle Court House Museum

A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World - Zwaanendael Museum

Simple Machines – John Dickinson Plantation

When Janie Comes Marching Home: Women's Fight to Serve - Legislative Hall





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